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DENSITY OF BROADBAND CONNECTIONS
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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of broadband connections have been released in the State of Kerala alongwith the requirement, exchange-wise;

(b) whether the Government has any plan in future in this regard; and

(c) if so, the details thereof alongwith the density of broadband connections in the country; State-wise?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI JYOTIRADITYA M. SCINDIA)

(a) to (c) As on 31.3.2008, about 1.83 lakh broadband connections have been provided in Kerala. For Kerala Circle, BSNL has planned to provide 5, 11,272 Broadband ports for urban areas & 24,000 ports to cover 643 villages for the year 2008-09. In addition, 700 exchanges will also be provided with the Broadband connectivity by 31.3.2009. This Department maintains the data State-wise. Details of State-wise Broadband connections given in the Annexure.